## **AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:**

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

- 1. (Currently Amended) A detection system including a detection cell (1) having an entry gate (3), the system including drive means (10) for controlling switching of the gate, characterised in that wherein the drive means (10) is arranged to control switching of the gate (3) in a pseudorandom binary sequence.
- 2. (Currently Amended) A detection system according to Claim 1, eharacterised in that wherein the pseudo-random binary sequence is bit-flipped to reduce noise.
- 3. (Currently Amended) A detection system according to Claim 1 or 2, eharacterised in that wherein the output is analysed analyzed by matrix algebra.
- 4. (Currently Amended) A detection system according to <u>claim 1</u>, any one of the <u>preceding claims</u>, <u>characterised in that wherein</u> the system is arranged to carry out deconvolution on the cell output using matrix algebra.
- 5. (Currently Amended) An 1MS detection system according to <u>claim 1</u>, <u>any one</u> of the preceding claims, characterised in that <u>wherein</u> the cell (1) has a drift region (4) and that the gate (3) is arranged to control entry to the drift region.
- 6. (Currently Amended) A method of controlling switching of an admittance gate (3) in a detection system, characterised in that wherein the gate (3) is switched in a pseudo-random binary sequence.
- 7. (Currently Amended) A method according to Claim 6, characterised in that wherein the pseudo-random binary sequence is bit-flipped.
- 8. (Currently Amended) A method according to Claim 6 or 7, characterised in that wherein the method includes analysing analyzing an output using matrix algebra.

9. (Currently Amended) A method according to <u>claim 6</u>, any one of <u>Claims 6 to 8</u>, <u>characterised in that wherein the method includes deconvolution of the output using matrix algebra.</u>